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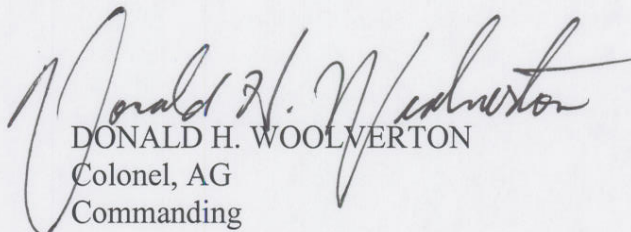
SUBJECT: US Army NATO Brigade (USANATO) Policy Letter #18, Bicycle Safety

1. Bicyclists have certain rights and are subject to the responsibilities applicable to drivers of any other vehicles. Traffic laws apply to bicyclists.
2. Bicyclists will ride only on or astride permanent and regular seat. Bicyclists will ride as near to the right side of the roadway as practical and will exercise due care when passing a vehicle, whether stationary or moving. Bicyclists will ride with traffic in single file, and will not ride side by side. Whenever a usable path for bicycles has been provided adjacent to roadway, bicyclists will use the path and not the roadway. Bicyclists will be extremely cautious when traveling down alleys or narrow roadways. In addition, bicyclists must keep watch at all times for open road construction, which is often unmarked. Remember, pedestrians have the right of way.
3. A bicycle will not be used to carry more persons at one time than the number for which it is designed and equipped. Bicycles, skateboards, coasters, sleds and toy vehicles will not be pulled or otherwise propelled by a motorized vehicle. Bicyclists will not carry any package, bundle, or article that prevents the operator from keeping both hands free in order to control the bicycle and give signals.
4. Bicycles ridden during hours of darkness must have a headlight that emits a white light and a taillight that emits a red light. Bicycle wheels must have two reflectors mounted 180 degrees apart on the spokes. Bicycle pedals must have reflectors designed and placed to be visible from the front and rear of the bicycle during darkness.
5. Riders will wear a proper bicycle helmet at all times when riding a bicycle. The helmet will meet or exceed the standards set by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI), Snell Memorial Foundation, or the Economic Commission of Europe for bicycle helmets. The helmet will be equipped with either a neck or chin strap which is to be securely fastened while in motion.
6. Bicycles shall be equipped with brakes sufficiently strong so that it enables the operator to make the wheels skid on dry, level, clean pavement.

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7. Riders will wear bright colored clothing when riding a bicycle. During times of reduced visibility and at night riders will also wear reflective materials.
8. Riders will not use cell phones, earphones or headphones while bicycling or roller blading is strictly prohibited.



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